House Resolution No. 2905

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Rita Elizabeth Mengwasser commemorated the resplendent occasion of her Ninetieth Birthday on April 11, 2005; and

Whereas, on April 11, 1915, in Westphalia, Missouri, God brought a special gift to John H. and Mary E. (Loehner) Plassmeyer with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Rita, who would put a twinkle in their eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, while celebrating her birthday, Rita Mengwasser had the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as her thirty-year marriage to Adolph C. Mengwasser and the births of their offspring; and

Whereas, God has blessed Rita Mengwasser with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include nine children, Stan, Gerald, Bernel, Marlene, Frank, Rita, Denise, Mark, and Cindy; eighteen grandchildren, Cammy, Lisa, Joanne, Debbie, Cathy, Cara, Reni, Brad, Jason, Renee, Andy, Aaron, Kyle, Sarah, Jennifer, Jessie, Katie, and Alex; and twenty-six great-grandchildren, Brittany, Ryan, Kyle, Chase, Ben, Tyler, Samantha, Miranda, Kaitlyn, Lily, Zachary, Jaden, Thomas, Baylee, Janae, Andrea, Caroline, Makayla, Emma, Logan, Jarrett, Marissa, Kaden, Samuel, Reese, and Mae; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Rita Mengwasser has further distinguished herself by being engaged in a general farming operation in Osage County, where she grew grain and raised hogs and cattle; and by being a dedicated quilter who quilts with the ladies of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Rich Fountain; and

Whereas, at the respectable age of 90, Rita Mengwasser is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Rita Mengwasser at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Rita Elizabeth Mengwasser, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by	
_	Representative Jane Cunningham
	District No. 86

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2905, adopted May 4, 2005.